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STEPHEN J. BOIES and DAVID P. GREENE****For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PRODUCT SERVICE FOR LOCATING ITEMS SATISFYING  
A GENERAL REQUIREMENT AND RANKING ITEMS ACCORDING TO UTILITY**

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Enclosed are also:

☒ 17 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
☒ 12 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 57 )  
☒ 3 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
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☒ Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

## CLAIMS AS FILED

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3. Recordation in duplicate;
4. Assignment (2);
5. Declaration and Power of Attorney (2);
6. Patent Application (17 pgs. spec. & abstract, 12 pgs. Claims 1- 57);
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